

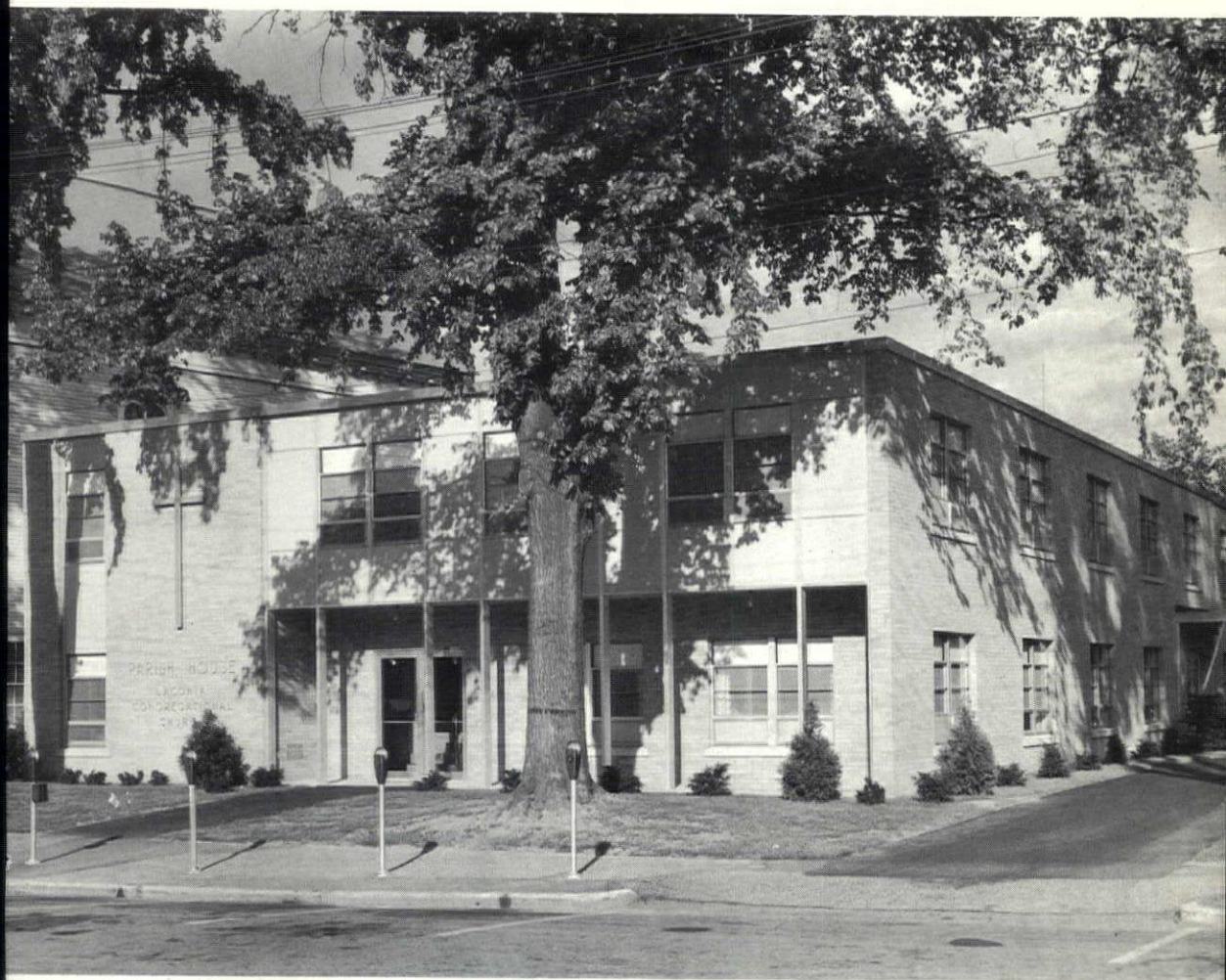
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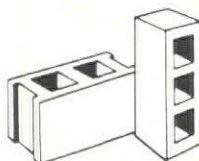
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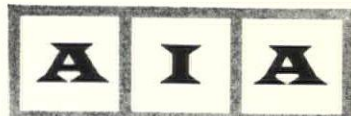




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## ALFRED MAUSOLFF JOINS STAFF OF W. BROOKE FLECK

Alfred J. M. Mausolff, who for the past ten years has been associated with an architectural firm at Burlington, Vt. has moved to Hanover and joined the staff of W. Brooke Fleck.

Mr. Mausolff is a member of the American Institute of Architects, and the Construction Specification Institute. He has traveled extensively in Europe, speaks three foreign languages, and lived in Italy and Austria for over six years.

His work shows considerable diversity in style and planning, ranging from a modern winery near Rome, Italy, and a residence in Innsbruck, Austria. In this country he has designed outstanding homes at New Canaan, Connecticut for the late Harry B. Thayer, a former Dartmouth trustee, and a home at Stowe, Vermont for the famous Trapp Family Singers, done in characteristic style of their former Austrian homeland.

Mr. Mausolff's avocation is translating of foreign books and writing, and he is the co-author with his wife of "Saint Companions for Each Day," of which a second edition has been published in India.

## NECMA — GOOD HOUSEKEEPING MODEL HOME

The New England Concrete Masonry Association in cooperation with Good Housekeeping Magazine has just completed a model home project which promises to open wide new vistas for the concrete block industry. Dispelling the myth that concrete masonry is best suited for contemporary design, this home, constructed entirely of concrete block and fashioned to literally be the answer to a housewife's dream, vividly illustrates its effectiveness in traditional architecture as well.

A Cape Cod style, the home is located in the Apple Hill section of Lynnfield, Massachusetts, a new suburban development north of Boston which consists entirely of custom-built homes. Virtually every type of concrete masonry available was used inside and outside the house — running a gamut from the cinder block exterior completely faced with luxurious split-block to the attractively colored glazed block appearing in an ultra-modern utility room.

Designed to meet the increasing demand for traditional architecture in residential building, the NECMA-Good Housekeeping model home predicts a prominent role for concrete masonry in the rapidly expanding new home market during the next decade. This home of unique beauty and convenience will receive nationwide attention when it is featured in the October 1960 issue of Good Housekeeping Magazine and through the later coverage planned by National Concrete Masonry Association in its Concrete Masonry PICTORIAL.

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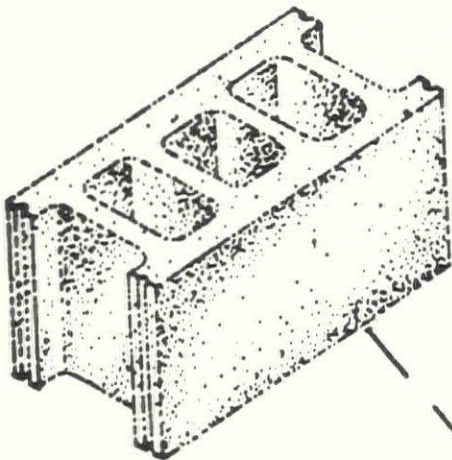
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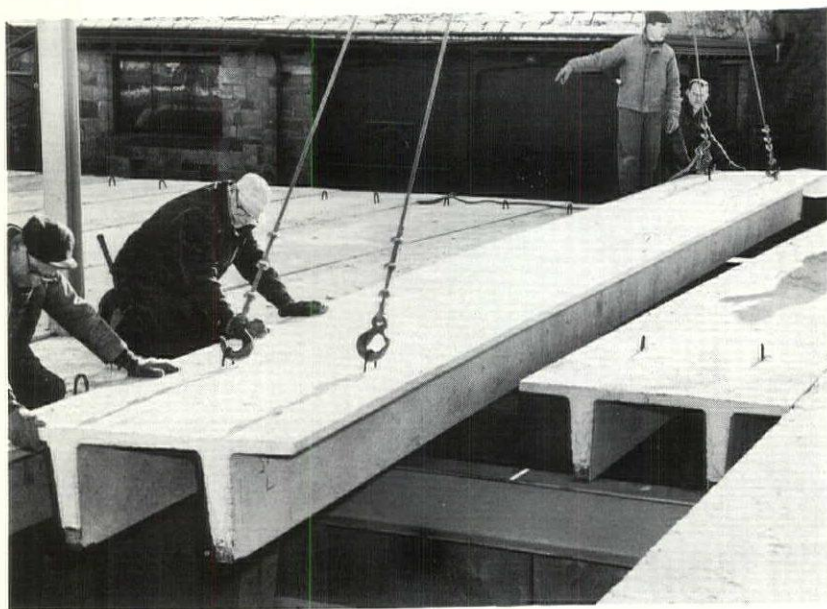
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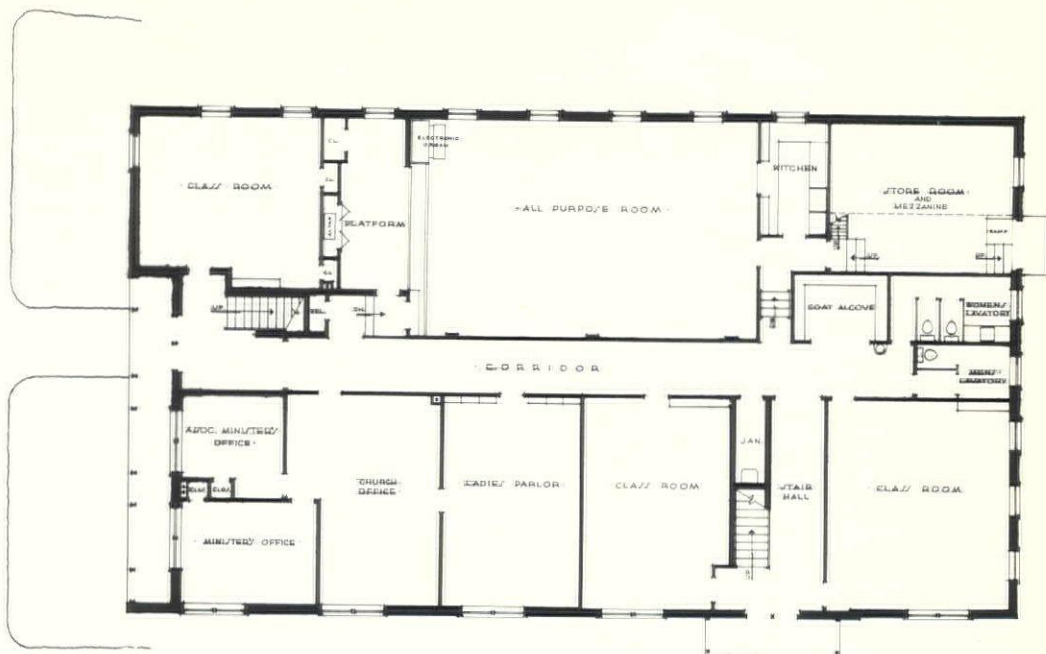




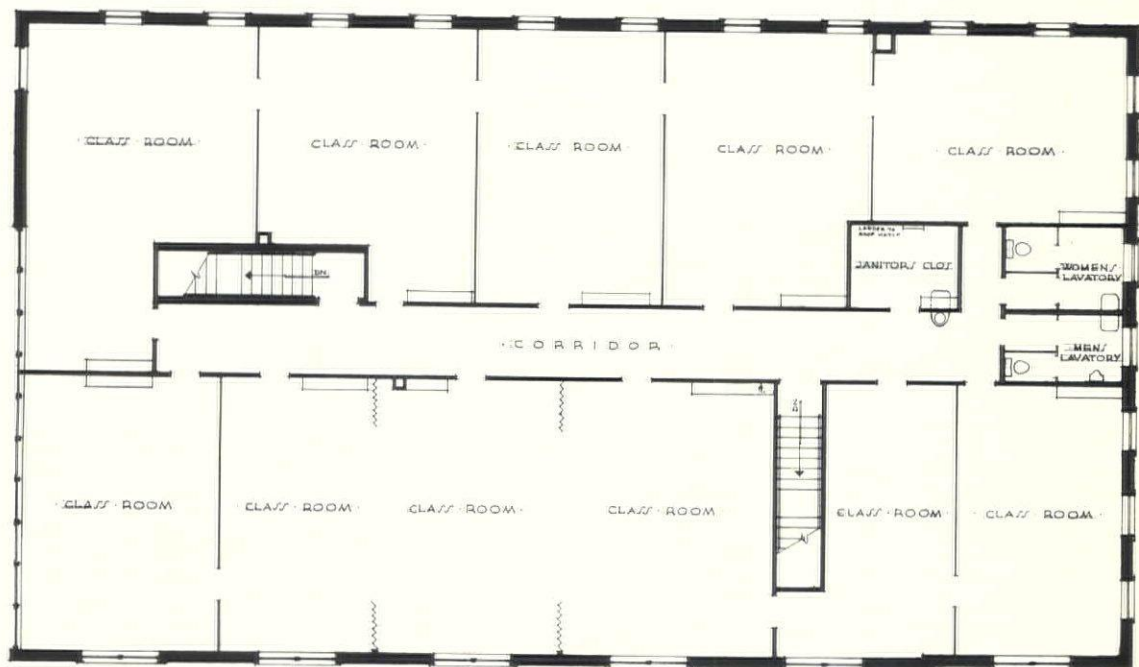
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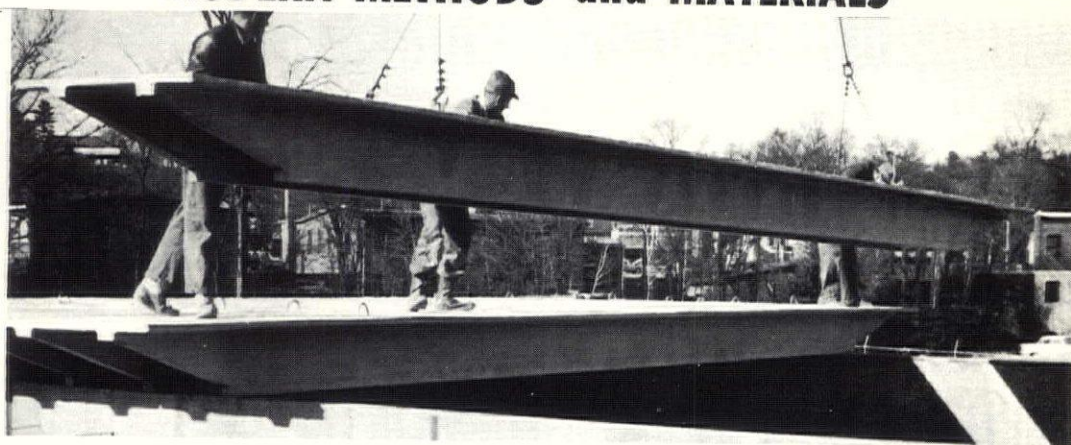
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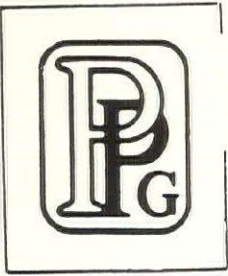
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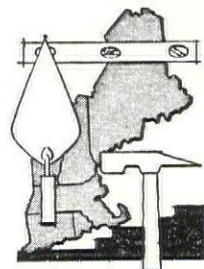
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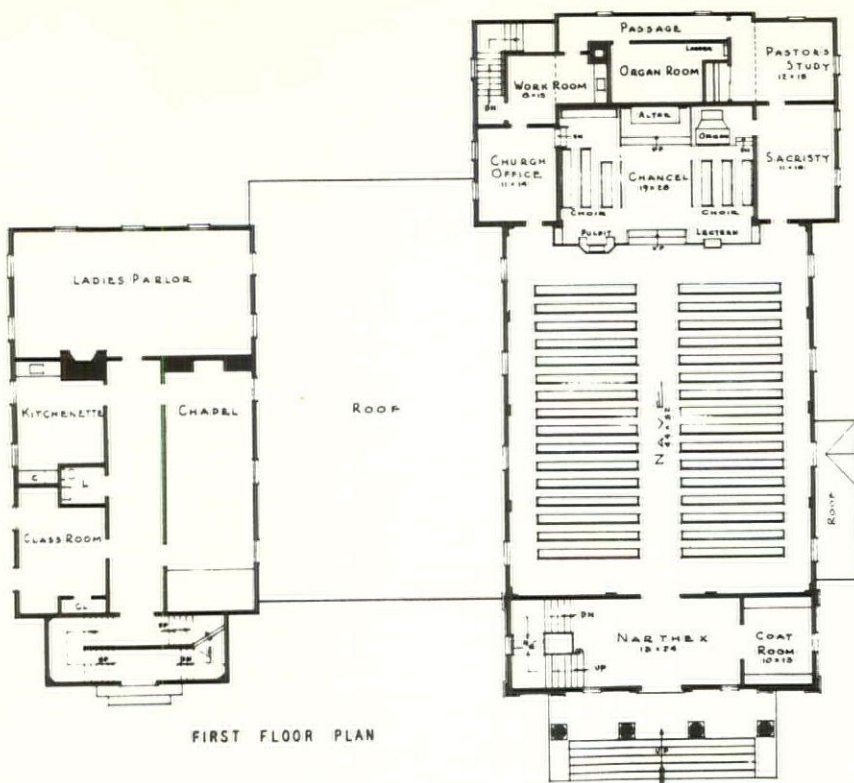
The general design of the new building was dictated by the desire of the congregation to retain the New England Meeting House style which characterized the original church. The new building will be somewhat larger, the steeple will be taller and an entrance portico has been added; otherwise the traditional design of the original church has been kept.

Mindful of the disastrous loss by fire, the building committee wisely insisted that the basement areas be completely enveloped with fireproof materials. The ceiling structure of the basement is of reinforced concrete to serve as a barrier against the spread of fire. Plans also include the installation of a sprinkler system.

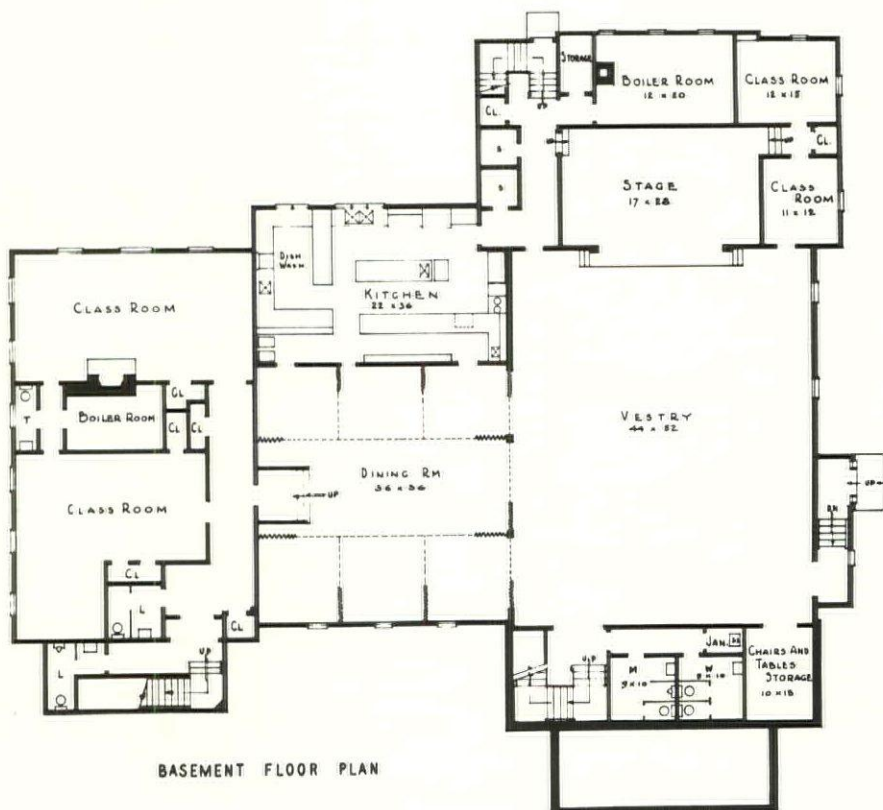
The nave has some special acoustical treatment in the form of sound-absorbant panels on the rear wall, cork flooring and resonant materials applied to the walls of the chancel. A pipe organ will occupy the organ loft with its sound being transmitted to the nave through dossal-covered openings at the rear of the chancel.

In addition to the rooms shown on the plans a large Music Room occurs over the Narthex. This room will provide a practice space for the choir, storage facilities for robes and sheet music and an opening into the rear wall of the nave so that music can be provided by members of the choir directly from the Music Room.

Above the reinforced-concrete basement the structural frame is structural steel with wood sub-frame and exterior faces. The steel frame of the steeple will be sheathed with wood except for the spire which will be sheathed with lead-coated copper.

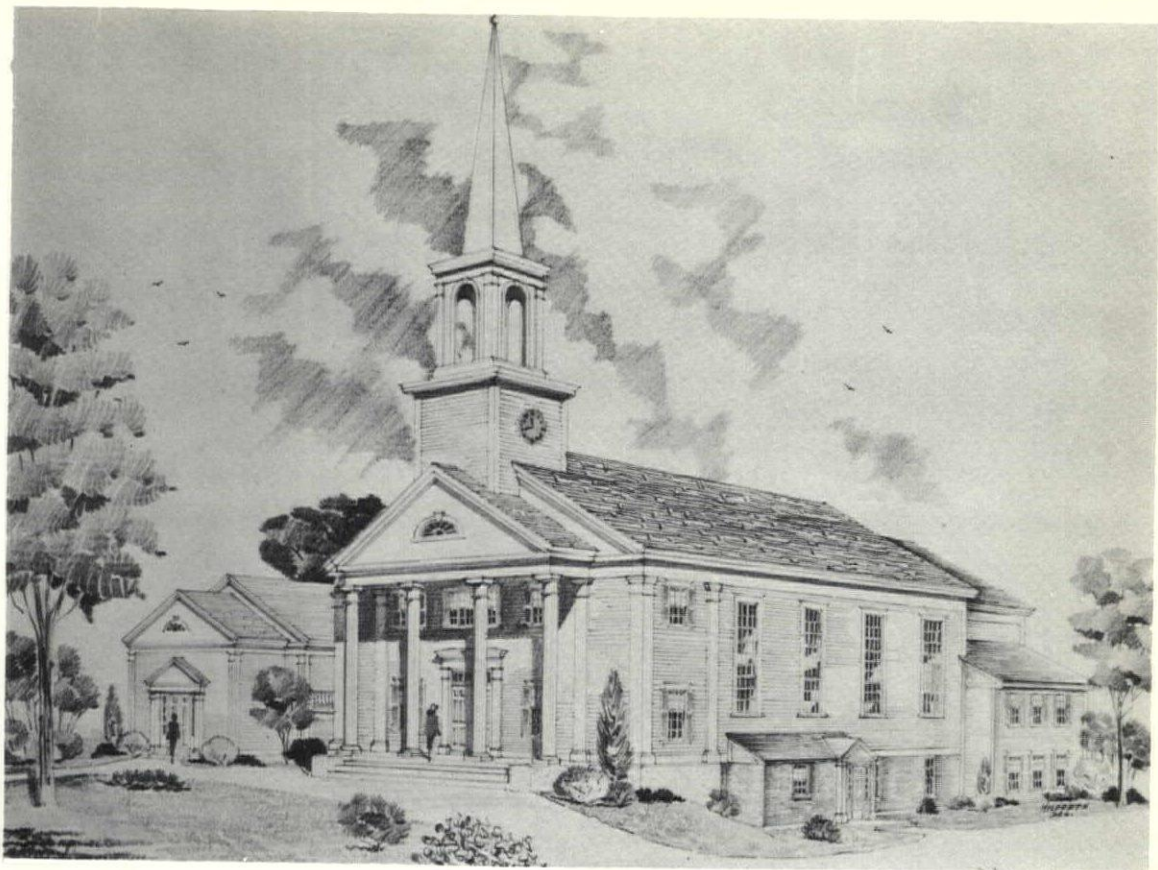


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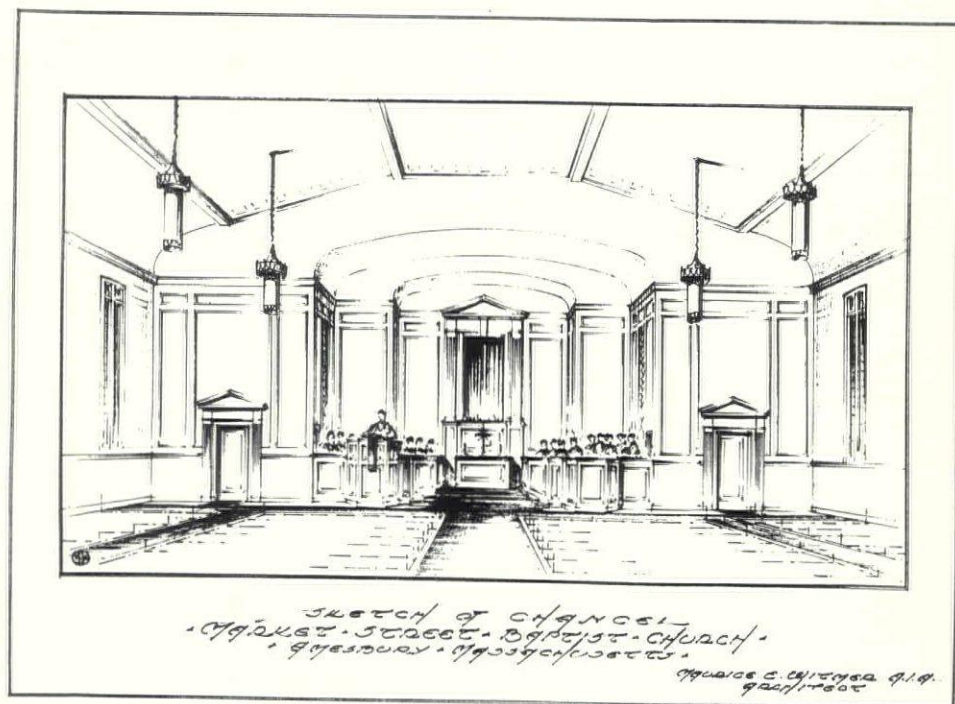
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This project is one in which the expansion of the religious educational plant was most essential.

Fortunately for the church, there was existing at the rear a two-story 4-room school building, known as the Castle School which had been abandoned for some years. We acquired this building and moved it onto a new foundation, providing recreational space under it, and turning the building around, parallel to the rear of the church.

We constructed a new stairwell and connecting corridor between the existing church building and the old school structure after it had been re-located.

By means of remodelling this school, we obtained a fellowship hall with stage, new kindergarten area with six classrooms, and a new primary department with six classrooms.

By remodelling the interior of the existing church building, we obtained on the ground floor level a new Chapel, Auditorium, and Nursery with church parlor, new kitchen, and toilet facilities.

On the main Nave floor, due to its extreme height and re-planning with the provision of a new Chancel, six additional rooms were obtained; namely, a pastor's study, three classrooms, and men's and women's dressing rooms in conjunction with the new Baptistry.

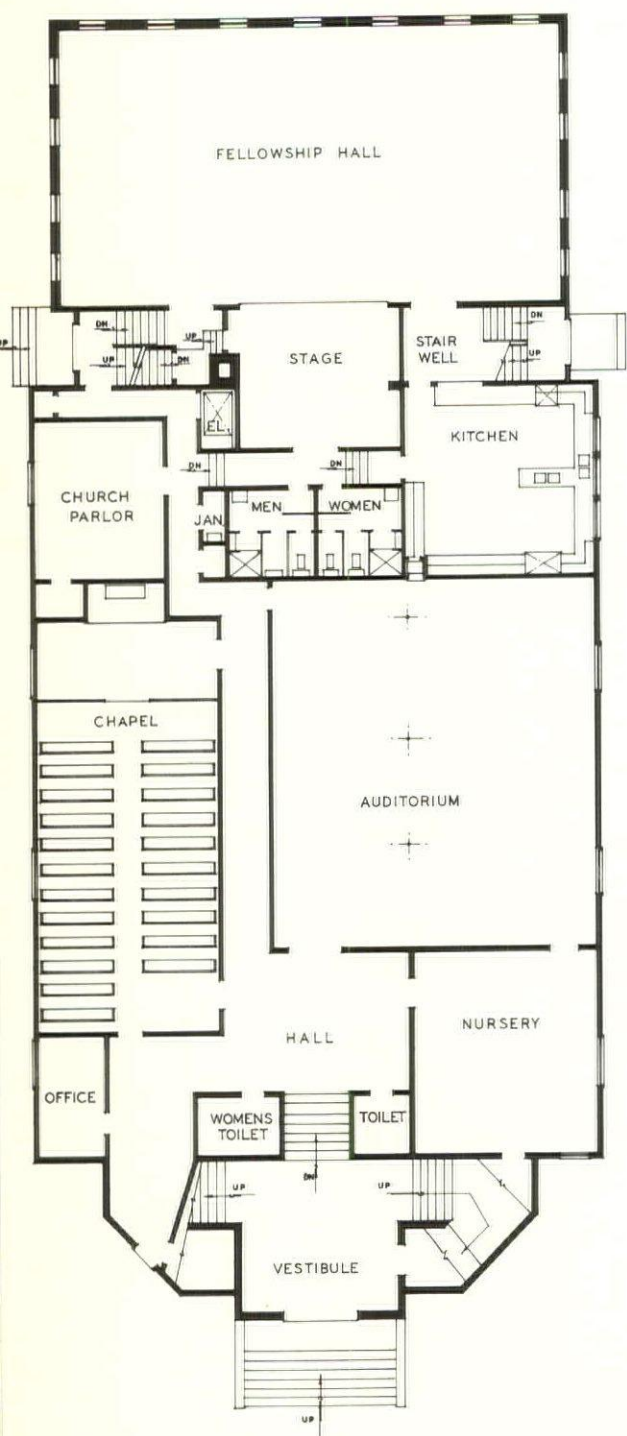
This total project cost is approximately \$145,000.00, and the project is now nearing completion.

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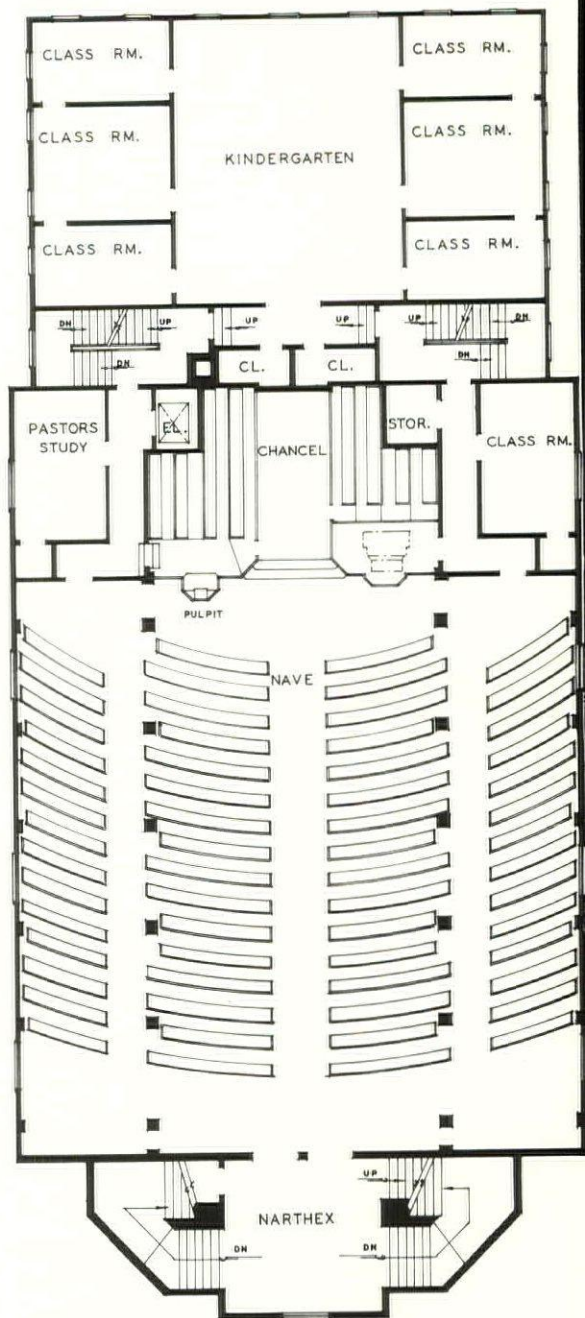
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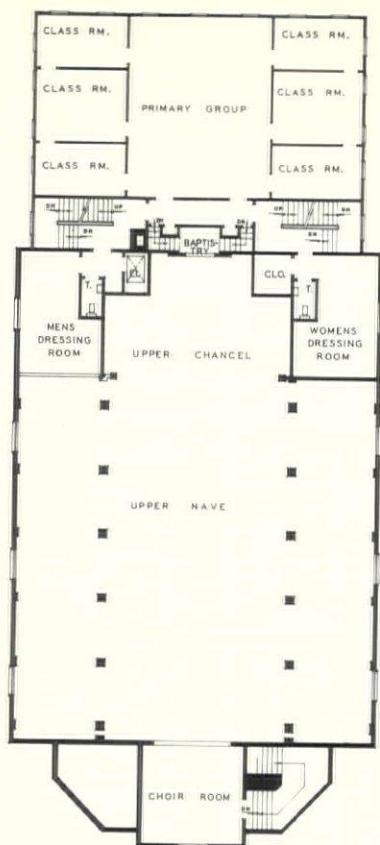


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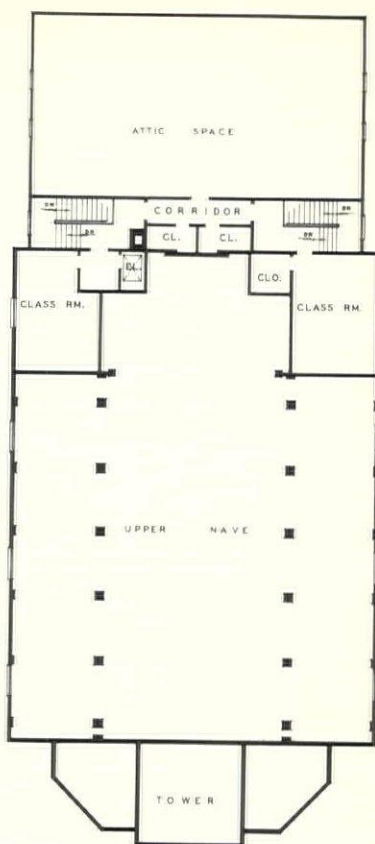


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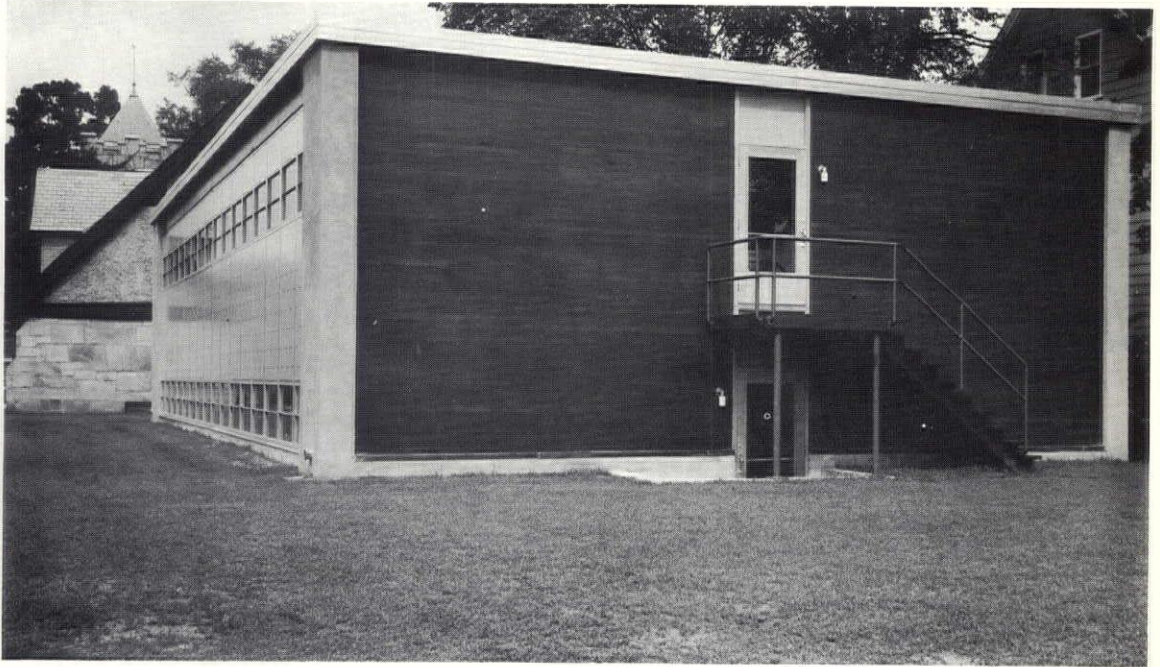
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# THE NEW WING FOR THE UNITARIAN CHURCH KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Because of the expanding functions of this church it was decided to first of all make more efficient use of existing facilities and then to add space that was needed. After visiting similar buildings, holding meetings with staff members of The American Unitarian Association and analyzing comparative cost studies a program was arrived at satisfactory to the Planning Committee.

The site — a level, narrow inside lot — dictated the general location of the Addition. As much land as possible was left free to provide for outdoor activities and future expansion.

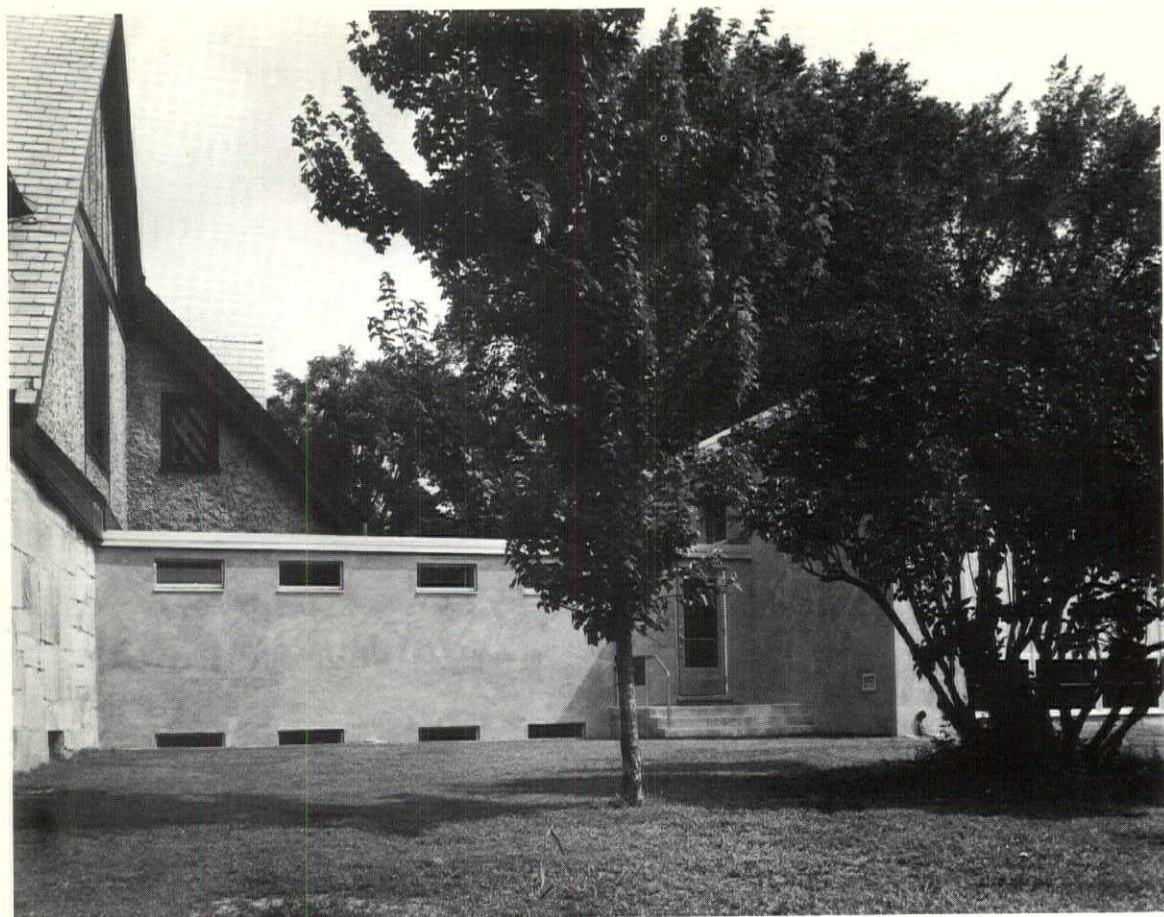
The ground floor classrooms are set below grade for economy but are saved from a cellar-like atmosphere by the use of translucent wall panels that spread a uniform light deep into each room without glare. The upper floor containing classrooms, offices and a meeting room have the same panels of plastic from floor to ceiling.

Since space requirements for religious education will probably change in the future all interior partitions are removable. As a case in point one wall is soon to be relocated.

The connecting link between the Parish Hall and the New Wing was kept low to avoid disturbing the composition of the original building (circa 1893).

Alterations to the existing Parish Hall include a new kitchen, heating plant, and Youth Center.



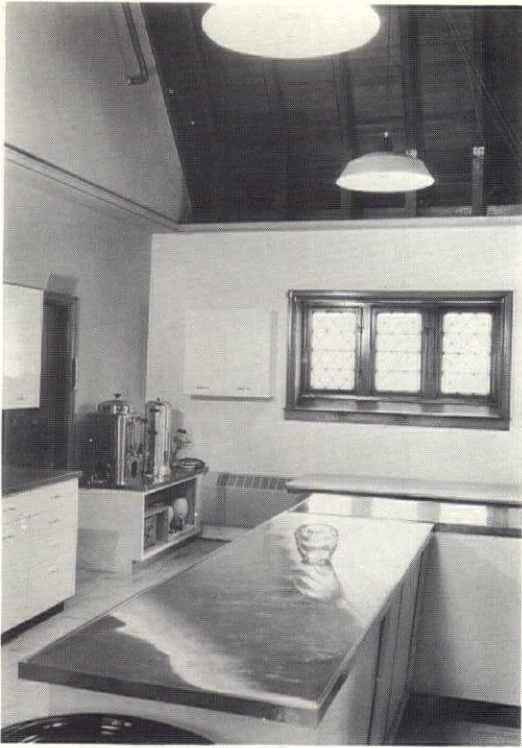


Connecting Link Between Church and New Wing

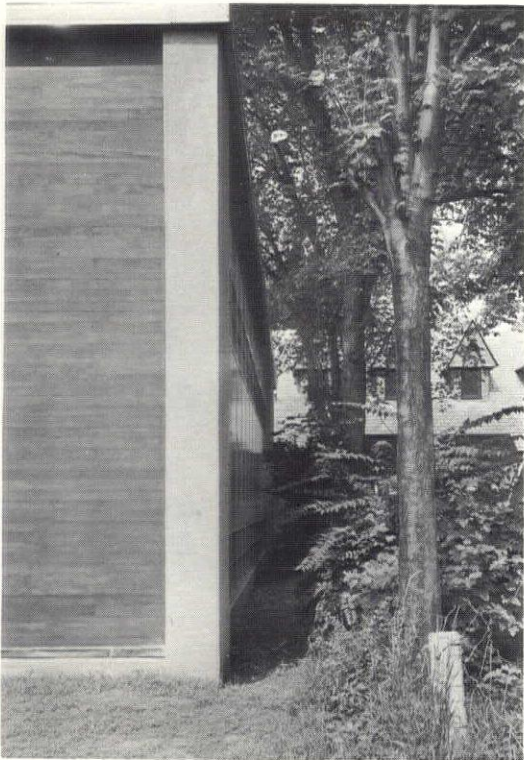


Northeast Corner of Alliance Meeting Room





Corner of New Kitchen



North Wall of New Wing

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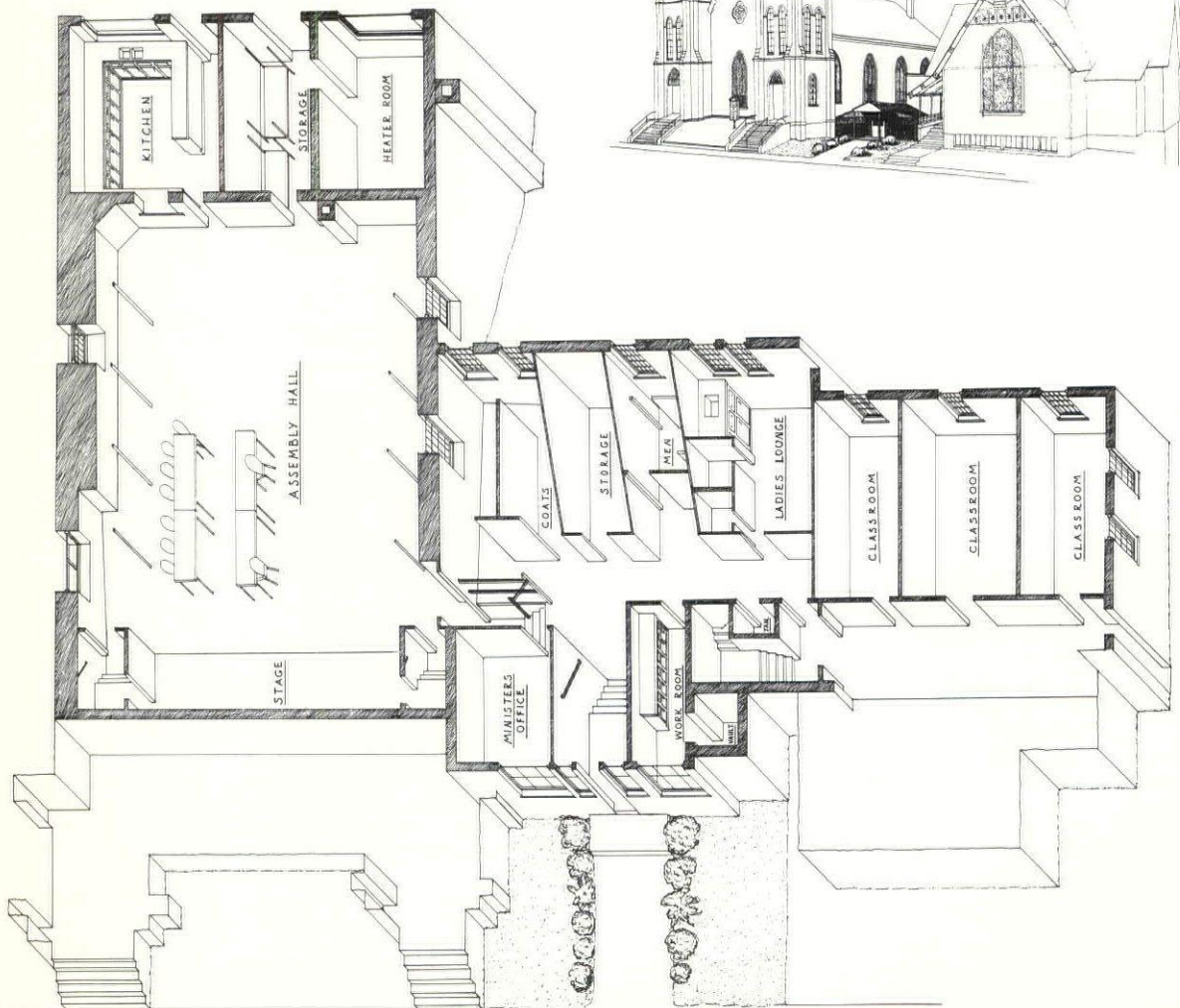
# LITTLETON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

GORDON INGRAM, HANOVER, N. H., ARCHITECT

The Littleton Congregational church has approved plans for major alterations and additions, at an estimated cost of \$45,000. Plans will provide the following new facilities: an assembly hall with stage and new kitchen; three new forced warm air heating systems; minister's office and study; new ladies lounge; work room with shelves and facilities for mimeographing church publications; a concrete storage vault for church records; new coat rooms, storage rooms, and 6800 gallon underground oil tank.

Expenditures for 1960 will amount to about \$12,000, with the balance of \$33,000 in construction to be spent in 1961.

GROUND FLOOR PLAN





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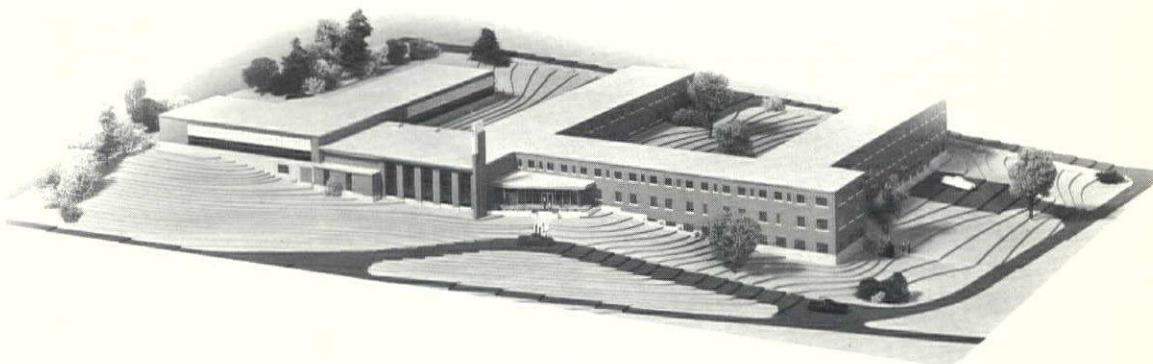
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Construction is reinforced concrete frame, except classroom and auditorium wing which are steel framed, with glass curtain walls. The chapel is finished in natural woods, with colored glass windows. Completion is scheduled for the fall of 1961.



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The building has four floors; ground floor consists of kitchen, refectory, laundry, sewing room, storage, and boiler room. The first floor has a chapel, parlors, library and community room. The two top floors have cells for the twenty three resident sisters.

A feature is an elevator to all floors. It is a reinforced concrete building with brick face veneer, to match the attached church. The chapel is completely finished in natural wood.

Completion will be about September, 1960.





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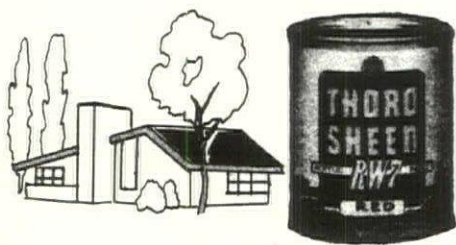
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## WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN CONGRESS RECONVENES

The recess of Congress until after the political conventions are over leaves the fate of several pieces of major legislation up in the air. Of particular interest to the architectural profession are the proposed omnibus housing bill and Federal aid to school construction. The experts are hedging their predictions as to passage, scope and possible Presidential vetoes of these bills. What will happen when Congress reconvenes in August in the politically-charged post-convention atmosphere is anybody's guess.

At long last, the proposed Self-Employed Individuals' Retirement Act reached the floor of the Senate only to encounter stiff opposition. As approved by the Senate Finance Committee and introduced by Senator Smathers (D-Fla.), the measure was a much-modified version of the House-passed Keogh Bill (H. R. 10). Further amendments were offered, but final action was not taken prior to the recess. Outlook for passage in an acceptable form is dim.





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